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SUBJ: POSSIBLE OPIC PROGRAMS IN SYRIA

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1. IN NOTE NO 14, 1/19/76, EMBASSY REQUESTED INITIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH SARG CONCERNING POSSIBLE OPIC PROGRAMS IN SYRIA. UPON RECEIPT OF SYRIAN RESPONSE AND INITIAL CONTACT WITH DESIGNATED SARG OFFICIAL, WE WILL REPORT REACTION TO DEPT AND REQUEST FURTHER GUIDANCE AS TO NEXT STEPS AND TIMING OF FORMAL OPIC DISCUSSIONS WITH SARG IF RESPONSE IS POSITIVE.

2. OUR NOTE POINTS TO ADVANTAGES AND DESCRIBES OPIC ACTIVITIES IN GENERAL, BASED ON VARIOUS OPIC PUBLICATIONS WE HOLD (FULL SERIES OF JULY 1971 PAMPHLETS, FY 73 ANNUAL REPORT, SEPT 74 COUNTRY LIST, AND JUNE 75 INVESTMENT INSURANCE HANDBOOK). PLEASE POUCH ATTENTION ECON ANY MORE RECENT MATERIAL AS INDICATED REFTEL.

3. WE ALSO HAVE TEXTS OF AGREEMENTS WITH YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC, 10/22 AND 12/4/74; AND EGYPT, 7/16/74 EXCHANGE OF NOTES BASED ON 6/29/63 AGREEMENT (COPY OF WHICH WE ALSO HAVE). WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT POUCHING US COPIES OF AGREEMENTS WITH JORDAN AND SUDAN AND ANY OTHER MORE RECENT AGREEMENTS WITH ME COUNTRIES, E.G., SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT, GULF STATES.

4. OUR COPY OF STANDARD OPIC AGREEMENT (PARA 3 REFTEL) IS DATED "OPIC/IIA (JULY 1972." IS THIS STILL CURRENT? IF NOT,
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